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WALKER RELEASES JOB SURVEY RESULTS

MILWAUKEE – County Executive Scott Walker today released the results of a survey of job openings in the metropolitan Milwaukee area prepared by the Private Industry Council of Milwaukee County (PIC) in conjunction with the UW-Milwaukee Employment and Training Institute. The survey is the most extensive and continuous in the nation.

Milwaukee County remains the primary engine for economic development and growth in the region and state, with 10,361 jobs accounting for 60% of the full-time openings. This represented a 27% increase over the openings available in 2005.

“There are more jobs available than last year and those jobs are paying more than in the past,” said Walker. “The vast majority of those jobs are available in Milwaukee County, which shows we are still the economic engine of the state.”

The greatest increases were seen in manufacturing, followed by health care and computer fields. The number of manufacturing full-time openings is at an all time high for the decade.

In response to a changing labor market, the PIC recently completed four Certificate Skills Training Programs in Machining, Welding, Health Admissions and Customer Service in partnership with Milwaukee Area Technical College. The PIC will launch another series of Certificate Skills programs this month in addition to these to include Pharmacy Tech, Health Informatics, Power Engineering, HVAC (Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning), and Dental Assistant, to prepare over 100 individuals for in-demand occupations.

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